NAVICPLA25
Dynamic Pricing Event - EDS eBreviate (FEB 2002)

1.0 Price--Dynamic Pricing Event
Price revisions will be submitted during a competitive, anonymous, on-line reverse auction (Dynamic Pricing Event). The Dynamic Pricing Event will be conducted on ( ) . Not withstanding FAR 52.215-5, Offerors will submit revised pricing only through the online mechanism supplied by EDS/eBreviate.   Offerors will not submit revised pricing via any other mechanism including but not limited to post, courier, fax, E-mail, or orally unless specifically requested by the Contracting Officer.

1.1 Prior to the Dynamic Pricing Event
Offerors shall submit initial price proposals to the NAVICP in accordance with the established procedures and guideline. EDS/eBreviate will   contact each offeror and provide training for the Dynamic Pricing Event (DPE). Additional information and instructions are provided in Attachment A

1.2 During the Dynamic Pricing Event
Electronic offers shall be submitted by Offerors during the DPE period.   Offerors, however, are not required to revise their initial pricing proposal during the DPE. This DPE shall constitute discussions with the offeror. The DPE will be conducted for a time period of ( ) minutes/hours. If an offer is submitted within the last ( ) minutes of the time period, the time period shall be extended for an additional ( ) minutes beyond the time of that offer (provided the offer was the lowest offer received). The time period shall be extended for additional ( ) minute periods (up to an unlimited number of ( ) minute extension periods) if a lower offer is submitted within the last ( ) minutes. The end of the last ( ) minutes, during which revised offers are permitted as addressed in this paragraph, shall be considered the close of discussions. The final price revision during the DPE will be considered the Offeror's Final Price Submission. The period for acceptance of an offeror's final price submission is 30 days. The Contracting Officer may elect not to   conduct a DPE; but shall permit offerors to submit a final written proposal revision, limited solely to price, if a DPE is not conducted

1.3 After the Dynamic Pricing Event
No price revisions will be accepted after the close of the DPE, unless   discussions are held and final proposal revisions are requested in accordance   with FAR 15.307.

1.4 Agreement by the Offerors
Submission of a proposal in response to the solicitation will be considered consent to participate in the Dynamic Pricing Event and to reveal their prices in anonymity during the DPE. By participating in the DPE, offerors agree that the only knowing disclosure by the offeror of its price to any other offeror will be during the DPE. The offeror further agrees that disclosure by the offeror of its prices during the DPE shall not be for the   purposes of restricting competition.

ATTACHMENT A
INFORMATION FOR SUBMITTING REVISED
PRICING FOR DYNAMIC PRICING EVENTS

1. EDS/eBreviate Interaction with Offeror:

Any and all Offeror interaction with EDS/eBreviate is for the sole purpose of facilitating the Dynamics Pricing Event (DPE) and shall not be considered discussion with the Offeror within the meaning for FAR Part 15.

(a) EDS/eBreviate will:
(1) contact each offeror identified by the Contracting Officer to participate in the Dynamic Pricing Event (DPE), and (2) explain the process to such offerors.

(b) In order for an Offeror to participate in the Dynamic Pricing Event (DPE), such offeror must agree with the terms and conditions of the entire solicitation, including this Attachment. Submission of a proposal in response to the solicitation will be considered such agreement by the Offeror.

(c) Each offeror is an independent contractor with respect to EDS/eBreviate. Each offeror agrees to release EDS/eBreviate from any liability with respect to the DPE or the conduct of any participant in the DPE, regardless of whether such liability arises under contract, tort, or any other theory.

(d) Offerors shall keep confidential the passwords and other confidential materials provided by EDS/eBreviate and/or the NAVICP, and all pricing provided by another party. Offerors shall keep their own pricing in confidence until after contract award.

(e) Any offeror experiencing difficulties during a DPE must notify EDS/eBreviate immediately. EDS/eBreviate will provide a telephonic "Help Desk" number at the time of training. "Difficulties" include any event or problem, which interferes with the Offeror's ability to participate in the DPE and may include, but is not limited to: data entry errors, software problems, or hardware problems. If the Contracting Officer judges that any offeror has been disadvantaged by a problem, the Contracting Officer may, but is not required to reopening the DPE.

(f) In the event of a failure of the offerors ISP connection, network connection, PC, or any other hardware or software problem that cannot be resolved, a surrogate bidder can and will be provided by EDS/eBreviate to assist offerors in submitting bids. Surrogate bidding can also be pre-scheduled with EDS/eBreviate for those offerors not having the minimum software/hardware requirements described below. Surrogate bidding includes telephonic submission of bids from the offeror to EDS/eBreviate personnel for further entry into the on-line DPE. EDS/eBreviate personnel will also keep offerors appraised of the leading bid and the status of the DPE.

2. Dynamic Pricing Event Connection:

The Offeror shall be provided the opportunity to connect to the EDS/eBreviate website via Internet connection. Offerors shall be responsible for (1) providing their own personal computers, and (2) connection of such personal computers to the telecommunications service used for each DPE via the offeror's Internet Service Provider (ISP)

Technology Requirements

Technology	Recommended Requirement	Minimum Requirement
PC Processor	Pentium II level PC, with greater than 150 MHz processor	If using Internet Explorer 4.0: A 486 with a 66 MHz processor and 12 MB or RAM
		If using Netscape 4.7: - Pentium PC, 16 MB of RAM
Browser	Netscape 4.7 or Internet Explorer 4.0 or higher (IE4.0 preferred)(1) (Important: see note in this section on Browser settings)	Netscape 4.7 or Internet Explorer 4.0 or higher (1) (Important: see note in this section on Browser settings
Internet Connection Speed	38,000 bps	24,800 baud\
Monitor Resolution	1024 x 768	680 x 480\

Current versions of Netscape or Microsoft Internet Explorer are available free on the Internet from Netscape's and Microsoft's websites.

Hints:
For improved connection speed use a corporate T1 connection.

Security:
eBreviate has taken significant steps to ensure the security and privacy of the data you submit to the system. The Auction system is hosted on a firewall-protected server located at one of the leading Internet Service Provides, who also hosts many servers for Yahoo!.

SSL Encryption is used to secure the data entered by the bidders. The auction web-site will be hosted on a secure web server (https) using 128 bit   encryption. A digital certificate is used to identify the secure web site hosting the auction. This ensures that the bidder's bids are indeed being sent to the correct, certified web site.

Browser Settings:
It is important that your Internet browser be set to access the most recent information from the auction system (to temporarily remove "caching").   To ensure this, please check that your browser is set to update information at every visit to a screen.

Instructions for In ternet Explorer:
Go to 'view' on the Internet Browser menu bar (or "Tools" in IE 5.0) and select 'Internet Options.' In the 'General' tab, click on the 'Settings' button in the 'Temporary Internet files' section. Select 'Every visit to the   page' and click 'OK'. You may need to restart your computer to initialize the new settings

Instructions for Netscape:
Go to 'Edit' on the Browser menu bar at the top of the screen and select 'Preferences'. Click on the + sign next to Advanced. Click on Cache. Click on the radio button 'Every time'. You may need to re start your computer to initialize the new settings.

Are you a Corporate Network User whose company has restrictive Internet policies?

When first installed, all Browsers are set to allow JavaScript to be used and Cookies to be accepted. In some corporations with severe security restrictions, they turn this off. If you are unsure, or have had troubles using the eBreviate offerings, check your Browser settings by following the simple instructions below:

Instructions for Internet Explorer 5:
JavaScript and cookies--Check if Enabled:
(1) Go to the security features
   - Click on the "Tools" button on the Browser Menu
   - Click on Internet Options, then the Security tab, then the Custom Level button.

(2) Scroll to the "Scripting" section
   - Under Active scripting, choose "Enable" next to "Allow paste operations via script"
   - Also choose "Enable" next to "Scripting of Java applets"
   - Scroll to the "Cookies" section
   - Choose "Enable" next to "Allow cookies that are stored on your computer"
   - Also choose "Enable" next to "Allow per session cookies (not stored)"
   - Click OK button

Instructions for Internet Explorer 4.x:
JavaScript and cookies--Check if Enabled:
(1) On the Browser Headings, click (View)
   - Click on "Internet Options"
   - Click the "Security" tab
   - Click the "Advanced" button
(2) Scroll to the "Security" section
   - Under "Cookies", select "Always accept cookies"
   - Click OK button

Instructions for Netscape Navigator 4.7:
   - Click Edit, and then click on Preferences.
   - Click the Advanced option.
   - Under the Cookies section click on the "Accept all cookies" option
   - Click OK button

3. Training

(a) EDS/eBreviate will train designated employees of each offeror in telephonic training sessions using "test auctions" and hard copy supplier User Manuals to familiarize the offeror's employees with the online auctioning system.

(b) An employee of an offeror who successfully completes the training provided by EDS/eBreviate pursuant to Paragraph 3.a shall be designated as a "trained offeror". Only trained offerors may participate in a   DPE. The Contracting Officer reserves the right to request that offerors provide an alternate offeror employee to become a "trained offeror". The Contracting Officer also reserves the right to take away the "trained offeror" designation from any trained offeror who fails to abide by the terms and conditions of the RFP, including this Attachment.

4. Conduct of the DPE:

For the preparation and conduct of DPE, EDA/eBreviate will provide staff to handle all DPE related activities as follows:

(a) Load all relevant DPE and technical parameters provided by the NAVICP/Agency into the online auctioning system;

(b) Ensure that only invited Trained Offerors and designated NAVICP/Agency personnel have access to appropriate DPE information;

(c) Authenticate the identities of all Trained Offerors and designated NAVIVP/Agency personnel involved in the DPE and maintain password security within the online auctioning system;

(d) Maintain a designated location and designated personnel to call with questions or technical problems before, during, or within a reasonable time after the DPE;

(e) Establish and maintain a secure web-based online auctioning system;

(f) Respond in a timely manner to Trained Offerors issues with software or connectivity;

(g) Conduct procedures for ensuring that Trained Offerors are prepared and present on the day of the DPE;

(h) Communicate any changes or adjustments to all Trained Offerors;

(i) Respond to Trained Offerors problems that might prevent participation.